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Washington, DC
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Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Solicitation Mailing List Application, SF-129, Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) one week prior to bid opening (November 13, 2003) or your company may be considered non-responsible.

FV-211

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: October 30, 2003

Fresh Fruit, Announcement FV-211, Invitation No. 032

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell fresh fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1 p.m., Central Time, Thursday, November 13, 2003**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Tuesday, November 25, 2003. Deliveries are to be made from January 19, 2004 through February 4, 2004.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Fresh Pears, D'Anjou	45 lb carton	12,600 cases
Fresh Pears, Bosc	45 lb carton	900 cases

No offers will be made to 8a vendors on this invitation.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.**

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-211 Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Fresh Fruit dated June 1999, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-211, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV211
 INVITATION : 032
 COMM GROUP : 34 FRUIT, FRESH
 COMM TYPE : 30 PEARS, D'ANJOU, FRESH
 PACK SIZE : 44 45 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 01/19/04 - 01/21/04					
001	ASHLAND	VA	TRUCK ONLY	607	_____
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	293	_____
002	EAST BERNSTADT	KY	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____
003	LEXINGTON	KY	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____
004	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	556	_____
	JOHNSON CITY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	344	_____
005	EAST BERNSTADT	KY	TRUCK ONLY	319	_____
	FAIRFIELD	OH	TRUCK ONLY	581	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/02/04 - 02/04/04					
006	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	725	_____
	NORFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	175	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/23/04 - 02/25/04					
007	FORT MILL	SC	TRUCK ONLY	625	_____
	LEXINGTON	SC	TRUCK ONLY	275	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/04 - 03/03/04					
008	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____
009	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	255	_____
	NORFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	179	_____
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	466	_____

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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/08/04 - 03/10/04					
010	DELAWARE CITY LAUREL	DE MD	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	450 450	_____
011	COLUMBIA LEXINGTON	SC SC	TRUCK ONLY	126 774	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/29/04 - 03/31/04					
012	ROCK ISLAND	IL	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/26/04 - 04/28/04					
013	DELAWARE CITY LAUREL	DE MD	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	450 450	_____
014	ROCK ISLAND	IL	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 12,600

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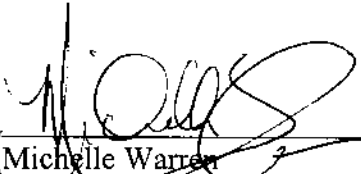
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DELIVERY PERIOD 02/02/04 - 02/04/04					
015	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____

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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				900	
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				13,500	
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 Contracting Officer

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